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GDC BOARD DISCUSSES RENTALS FOR TENANTS AND THE NEWS REVIEW

by Elaine Skolnik

Rental increases of approximately 3% (2½% plus increased water and real estate taxes) for the Parkway apartments, effective January 1, 1973, were approved by the operators, Greenbelt Development Corporation (wholly-owned subsidiary of Greenbelt Homes, Inc.) on Thursday, November 9. The GDC board of directors will also petition the rent control board to approve a further increase to reflect the one-time repair and rehabilitation work done last year as required by the county inspection office.

As the result of this one-time rehabilitation work, the corporation's financial status is such that no dividend will be available for its parent company GHI. Comptroller Don McGinn noted, however, that GDC's experience of the first nine months of 1972 is much better than that of the two previous years.

An old chestnut — the News Review occupancy of basement space in a GDC apartment — once again emerged. GDC director Thomas X. White proposed that the newspaper pay a rental fee commensurate with what the space would demand in terms of rent.

(Ever since 1954, GDC has made available to the newspaper unused storage space in the basement, with the paper reimbursing the corporation for out-pocket expenses such as electricity. The space contains the electric meters and telephone circuit box for the building and is used by the paper as its office one night a week. This policy was approved by a 380 to 10 vote of the GHI members at a general membership meeting in May 1963).

GDC president James Smith opposed the rent idea, explaining that the space was of little value to the corporation, but was valuable in terms of the community services provided by the newspaper.

White's motion was defeated with only GDC director Tony Lynch supporting it. Lynch then proposed that the corporation look into the possibility of rehabilitating the space occupied by the News Review so that it could command a rent "to help GDC along."

GDC director Nat Shinderman emphasized that the News Review is the major vehicle for providing information to the GHI membership. Both he and Janet James pointed out that if GHI tried to keep their membership informed (through mailings), it would cost the corporation many times over what any rent for the space would yield.

Gordon Allen said that while GDC and GHI may benefit from a rental the whole community benefits from the existence of the newspaper.

White wanted to know why GDC should bear the entire burden of subsidizing the space if the paper was performing a service for the entire community. Both he and GDC director Howard Brooks felt they had a responsibility to look into all sources of income for GDC.

GDC director Darwin Beck said he recognized the responsibility but doubted that the return in rent would be of any significance to GDC, especially when measured against what the space is now yielding in terms of useful community services through the News Review.

GDC director Norman Weyel reminded the board that the whole discussion has been blown out of proportion — what is involved is one small storage room.

Lynch then asked to table his motion until he had a chance to view the space.

WHAT GOES ON

Sun., Nov. 19, 7:30 p.m. U.S.A.F. Singing Sergeants Center School

Mon., Nov. 20, 8 p.m. City Council Meeting, Municipal Building

Tues., Nov. 21, 7:45 GHI Budget Meeting, Hamilton Pl.

Thurs., Nov. 23, 10:30 a.m. Community Thanksgiving Service, Greenbelt Community Church.

Public Hearing For Tax Rebate Bill

The public hearing on the county tax rebate bill has been set for Tuesday, November 28 at 1:30 p.m. in the Upper Marlboro Courthouse. The bill is a revised version of an earlier bill which was vetoed by county executive William W. Gullett who termed it "an administrative nightmare."

Both bills were written to give municipal residents cash credits for that portion of services provided by their incorporated town but also taxed by Prince Georges. The revised version, according to its originator councilman Francis White, deletes sections to which Gullett objected, but leaves the substance of the bill unchanged. Gullett had said that the original bill contained vague provisions for measuring the "standard of services" which could qualify for the tax credit.

City Plants Memorial Trees

During the past week the City of Greenbelt planted two trees as memorials to residents who have passed away. In both instances, the cost of the trees was donated by friends of the deceased and planting was provided by the city.

A memorial tree for Mrs. Rita Fisher was planted in the open park area on Crescent Road, immediately across from the city offices. A memorial tree for Mr. Samuel Jacobs was planted in the grass area between Crescent Road and Centerway.

In announcing these tree plantings, City Manager James Giese used the opportunity to remind residents of this city program. The city will plant trees on public land in memory of deceased residents or former residents where the cost of the tree is donated. Those who wish to participate in this program should contact city offices at 474-8000.

Thanksgiving Recreation

The Recreation Department will abide by the following schedule for the Thanksgiving holidays: No children or adult classes November 20 thru 25. Youth Center Hours: Thursday, Nov. 23 - 9 am - 12 noon and 7 - 10 p.m. Open gym and lounge.

Friday, Nov. 24 9-10:30 am Roller Skating 1, 2, & 3 grades. 10:30-12 noon Roller Skating 4, 5, & 6 grades. 12 noon - 1 pm Roller Skating for teens. 1-5 pm Open gym and lounge.

Saturday & Sunday - Regular open gym & lounge - no classes.

Dance at Parkdale

Parkdale Senior High's Band Parents Association, which sent the band to Vienna, Austria, this past summer, is sponsoring a dance on Saturday, Nov. 18, at 8 p.m.

AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

Monday,

November 20, 1972

8:00 P.M.

I ORGANIZATION

- 1 Call to Order
- 2 Roll Call
- 3 Meditation
- Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag
- 4 Minutes of Regular Meeting of November 6, 1972
- 5 Additions to Agenda by Councilmen and Manager

II COMMUNICATIONS

- 6 Petitions and Requests
- 7 Administrative Reports
- 8 Committee Reports

III OLD BUSINESS

- 9 An Ordinance to Amend Section 17-4 of the Greenbelt City Code by Repealing Sub-Paragraph (b) and by Enacting a New Sub-Paragraph (b) Providing for the Location and Maintenance of Refuse and Garbage Containers - Second Reading
- 10 Ten Year Water and Sewer Plan
- 11 Bicentennial Committee
- 12 History of Greenbelt

IV NEW BUSINESS

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- 14 Formation of Youth Advisory Council
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- 16 Noise Pollution Ordinance
- 17 Parking on Forest Way
- 18 Animal Control Ordinance
- 19 Property Addition to Suburban Trust
- 20 Appointments to Employee Relations Advisory Board

V MISCELLANEOUS

PUBLIC HEARING

A public legislative hearing will be held on a bill to establish the neighborhood school by regulative school boundaries and the busing of school children in Prince Georges County on Monday, November 20, at 8 p.m. at Parkdale Senior High School.

News Review Deadline

Next week's issue of the News Review will be published on Wednesday, because of the Thanksgiving holiday. The deadline for submission of articles and advertising will be Monday night, instead of the usual Tuesday.

GHI Revised Budget To Be Reviewed by Board Tuesday

by Al Skolnik

A revised 1973 manager's budget for Greenbelt Homes, Inc. was presented to GHI members at the hearings held on Wednesday, November 8, and Monday, November 13. The expenditure changes involved (1) inclusion of 4.4 percent increase in the pay of GHI employees; and (2) allowances for the favorable effects of Federal revenue-sharing legislation on anticipated city and county tax rates (see News Review issue of November 2 for original budget).

The GHI board of directors will consider the revised budget at a special meeting on Tuesday, November 21.

GHI Board Sets Schedule For Planning Renovation

by Elaine Skolnik

A policy position on how Greenbelt Homes, Inc. will proceed with the suggestions made by the TAA structural survey for a rehabilitation program was adopted by the GHI board on Thursday, November 9.

The first stage will be to gather data for the planning of a proposed pilot project, consisting perhaps of about 25 frame units. It is expected that total expenditures for this first stage will not exceed \$6,000. The funds will be advanced from working capital and later charged against the project costs. In February 1973, the board will make a preliminary assessment to determine the feasibility of the pilot project. If the board is satisfied, then a special membership meeting to present the material gathered will be called to ascertain the members' wishes.

GHI director Thomas White brought to the attention of the board a provision in the by-laws which places a limit of \$1,500 on expenditures "for planning each new construction or housing project without prior membership approval." Director Norman Weyel was not sure that this provision would apply to a rehabilitation program.

After much discussion, the board made clear its intent that only funds for preparation of material for presentation to the membership will be expended until approval by the membership. The policy position was adopted with no dissenting votes. Director Tony Lynch, who earlier had indicated that he would not support a proposal calling for expenditures in excess of \$1,500, was called away before the vote was taken.

Pay Hike

The board followed the manager's recommendations and voted to give GHI employees a 4.4 percent increase in pay, effective with the first full pay period in 1973. A motion by GHI director Nat Shinderman to increase the figure to 5.5 percent was defeated by a 5 to 4 vote. Supporting Shinderman were directors Tony Lynch, Dave Lange and Howard Brooks.

The major arguments for a 5.5 percent increase were that it would help to keep GHI pay scales in line with Federal pay scales and it was needed to attract and retain qualified maintenance employees. The major argument in favor of the lower rate was that it represented the manager's feeling as to an equitable pay raise after considering all elements. A 5.5 percent hike would have increased the budget by \$28,000, compared with \$22,500 for a 4.4 percent increase.

The board approved preliminary plans for celebrating the corporation's 20th anniversary. The major event would be an open house at the GHI offices on Sunday, January 7.

The board directed management to make a presentation at the Thursday, November 16 public hearing on the county's Ten Year Water and Sewer Plan, giving the board's opposition to inclusion of an on-site temporary package sewage plant for the Greenbriar project.

The board turned down a request for waiver of GHI's current policy of applying the two-year restriction on selling a unit for profit not only to new purchasers coming into the corporation for the first time but to all new purchasers including members wishing to move from one unit to another.

The two changes had offsetting effects so that the total budget is still in the vicinity of \$2,630,000. However, the amount to be charged to members for 1973 would be reduced somewhat by the transfer of \$10,500 from the amount budgeted but not used in the 1972 budget for the trim paint program to cover 1973 trim paint costs. The difficulty this summer of getting painters or contractors for the trim paint program produced the left-over funds of \$10,500.

In addition, the manager is recommending (1) an increase in the hourly rate (from \$9 to \$9.50) for the charge to members of services not covered by the GHI contract; and (2) increases in rates charged GDC for maintenance, janitorial, and management services.

8.7% Increase

As a result of these changes, the proposed average increase in total monthly charges is now 8.67 percent. The increase in operating costs (which exclude mortgage payments and use of reserve funds) comes to \$190,300 or 10.58 percent — 13.70 percent for the brick homes and 8.83 percent for the frame homes.

GHI manager Roy Breashears projected that the 4.4 percent pay hike for GHI employees will increase the 1973 budget by \$22,500. At the same time, he estimated that Federal revenue-sharing legislation will keep city and county tax rates from rising, thus enabling the GHI budget to be cut by \$20,500.

Of major interest to GHI members at last week's hearings were the heating and maintenance budgets. Breashears noted that by switching from No. 6 oil to No. 2 oil in the frame homes, GHI has reduced labor time needed for cleaning the burners, equipment and boiler rooms. Hence, the 1973 budget reflects a reduction of three men in the heating department. However, in response to fears expressed that the peak heating season could find GHI short of heating personnel, Breashears said that the Board could dip into reserves if this situation developed.

The scheduled resumption of a full trim-paint program (plus catch-up work) activated much discussion. Several persons wanted to know if the corporation would consider giving rebates or credits for those home-owners who did the trim paint program at their own expense. Breashears said that many problems would arise. For example, he noted that the purpose of the trip paint program is to preserve the siding. Some people, however paint for esthetic reasons. Would you reimburse them, he asked. Also, he noted that one would have to set up standards to determine whether an individual's trim paint job was an adequate substitute for the corporation's job. Finally, he pointed out the advantage of each row painting at the same time, such as all houses fading uniformly.

BALTIMORE SYMPHONY

The new series of Baltimore Symphony Orchestra concerts begins with a performance on Sunday evening, November 26, 8 p.m. in the Prince Georges Community College Auditorium, at Largo. Conductor Sergio Commissiona will take the orchestra through Beethoven's Seventh Symphony and Schubert's Unfinished Symphony, and the orchestra will accompany violinist Mark Kaplan in the first Prokofiev Violin Concerto.

The second and third concerts will also be conveniently presented on Saturdays, so they will be more available to the public. Tickets for the series can be purchased at the Twin Pines Office on Centerway, or directly at the concert.

NOTICE TO G.H.I. MEMBERS

A Special Meeting of the G.H.I. Board of Directors will be held on **Tuesday, November 21st** in the offices on **Hamilton Place at 7:45 p.m.** at which time the 1973 Budget will be presented for approval. Members are welcome to attend.

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Against Aqua Spa

To the Editor:

The presumption and arrogance of the 26 October letter signed by citizens Durantine, Beall and Morretti is unbelievable. They are, in effect, telling 747 other citizens of this city that they didn't know what they were doing when they cast their votes against the Aqua Spa. These 747 poor ignorant, muddled, misinformed voters were the victims of "clandestine?" stories "insidiously?" circulated.

Well, this "misinformed?" individual would like to point out some misinformation in said letter. Let us go through the so-called "facts":

1. Assume that the city tax increase would only amount to 9 cents (the city staff indicated it could be as high as 19 cents)—my property tax would be increased by more than \$17.00 per year. Furthermore, I do not own the most expensive house in town.

The homeowners whose taxes went up \$100.00 plus did not receive notice of that increase just prior to the referendum, but were billed for that increase as early as July, when tax bills were mailed out by the county, due in October.

Correct, we did not have a voice in the matter, but many voices (votes) will be heard at the next election for county council members, when we will throw out of office the current politicians who are responsible for that increase.

2. I do not recall any statement on the part of the city staff concerning a \$72.00 membership fee. According to available information, that (premature) decision had not been reached. However, it is absolutely true that such a fee would be unmatched anywhere in the metropolitan area, because the Greenbelt taxpayer would be subsidizing that low membership fee.

3. On the subject of choice swimming times. Since most families who could afford the fee would be employed during the day and the younger generation attending classes, the choice hours would be between 4 and 8. As for renting it during the day to nearby schools, if the county was interested in swimming as part of the Physical Education program, they would have built pools in the schools for that purpose. Let's face the facts. An indoor pool would be idle, unused, for most of the day.

My active opposition to and vote against this proposal was not based on "fears aggravated by misinformation". Nor do I believe that was the reason of 747 other voters.

Viola L. Keer

Get Copy of GHI Budget

To the Editor:

GHI members who were not present at the two recent budget meetings at the Library missed an excellent 5-hour seminar on GHI's past year and next year's operations. The budget of 23 pages was gone over very thoroughly by manager Roy Brashears and president Jim Smith. Members present at both meetings had ample time to ask questions, get answers and to make comments and offer suggestions. For those that missed the meetings, the next best thing is to get a copy of the budget from the GHI administration office on Hamilton Place and personally study it, rather than rely on what your neighbor thinks is included in the budget.

Stephen Polaschik

St. Hugh's Home-School

At the November meeting of St. Hugh's Home and School Ass., to be held in the church hall at 7:45 p.m., Dr. Paul Daniels, Instructional Consultant for the Prince Georges County Board of Education, will speak on individualized instruction. Dr. Daniel's talk, scheduled for 8:30 p.m., is open to the public.

Balanced Recreation

To the Editor:

The recent Referendum showed that the demand for year round swimming and/or health spa facilities in Greenbelt is an established fact.

For every three citizens voting against the actual proposal, two citizens voted in favor of it.

Not only does this point to a healthy portion of the citizenry interested in an indoor pool (and willing to pay for it), but it also puts an end to the notion that the only supporters are a small group of swim team parents.

This result is even more meaningful if one takes into account the amount of misinformation to which the voters were exposed during the days immediately preceding the referendum. First it was stated that the Aqua Spa would do nothing to alleviate the summer crush in the existing outdoor pool. This was mild compared to the rumors circulating over the weekend, especially in the G.H.I. part of town. Supposedly monthly payments were to increase by something like \$25 a month, people were going to be driven out of town and their houses were going to be razed, not to mention the specter of droves of undesirable prospective swimmers invading the city.

The presence of 484 YES voters, especially under these circumstances, has earned year-round swimming a legitimate place in any balanced recreation program, be it under a bubble-top roof rather than under the concrete structure proposed by the Referendum.

Leonie Penney

Oct. 24, 1972

PARKDALE PRODUCTION

"All the Way Home," by Tad Mosel, is the latest activity of Parkdale High School's Thespian Troupe. The play is based on James Agee's Pulitzer Prize winning novel, "A Death in the Family."

Produced by sophomore Armand Lenchek, the cast of "All the Way Home" includes Rick Janisch, Pat Needham, Beth Wilkinson, Mike Jones, Rob Richards, Marcy McGee, Kathy Geiger, Angel Flood, Sara Hanna, Mitchell Parker and Sue Goldstein. The play will be presented in the "Unicorn", Parkdale's mini-theatre, on Nov. 16 and 17. All performances begin at 7:30 p.m.

Recreation Review

Singing Sergeants

On Sun., Nov. 19, at 7:30 p.m., the U.S. Air Force Singing Sergeants will give a concert at Center School. Included in the repertoire of this outstanding chorus are selections ranging from opera and oratorio to folk songs, pop standards, jazz — and even comedy. Free!

Kava Teen Dance

On Sat., Nov. 18, the Kava Teen Club presents a special dance in cooperation with the National Recreation and Park Society. The proceeds will go toward a scholarship for eligible students at the Univ. of Md. The band featured will be the "Mystic Blue". The dance is from 8-11 p.m. at the Youth Center. Admission will be charged; all teens are invited.

Thanksgiving Turkey Shoot

The Annual Recreation Dept. Turkey Shoot (a basketball foul shooting contest) co-sponsored by the Greenbelt Consumer Services, will be held Wed., Nov. 22. The competition involves the best of twenty tries with winners receiving a gift certificate toward the purchase of a turkey. Categories and locations for participants are as follows: girls' 17 and under and women 18 and over at St. Hugh's gym, 8 p.m.; boys' 17 and under and men 18 and over at the Y.C. — 8 p.m.

Mishkan Torah News

The Mishkan Torah will hold its semi-annual membership meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 21 at 8 p.m.

Weekly Friday night services conducted by Rabbi Maurice Weisenberg, start at 8:30 p.m. and are followed by an Oneg Shabbat. Family night services are held the fourth Friday of each month.

Community Church News

At 7 p.m., on Sunday evenings, the Rev. Robert L. Field will conduct a series of nine sessions of adult inquiry, under the general theme "Search." The first three sessions will inquire into man's freedom in the universe: "Taking individual responsibility" (Nov. 19); "Understanding risk" (Nov. 26); and "Expecting blessings to recur" (Dec. 3).

On November 19 at the 11 a.m. service, Mr. Field will resume his illustrated sermons on religion and art.

The women's daytime group will hold its regular monthly meeting on November 21, at 11 a.m., with a business session. All are welcome. Bring a sandwich to go with beverage and dessert. Nurse Ellen McAlinden, will describe nursing services available in the community.

ST. HUGH'S BAZAAR

The Ladies of Charity of St. Hugh's are having a Bazaar on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 11 to 7 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 19 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. Sale items include Christmas table decorations and gifts, tree ornaments, hand-crocheted items, etc.

CUBS SELLING DONUTS

Cub Scout Pack 202 of Greenbelt will be selling donuts Sat., Nov. 18, starting at 9 a.m. in the Greenbelt area. The proceeds will go toward Cub Scout Awards and Activities.

Baptist Church News

As in former years, a special service of praise and thanksgiving will be held on Thanksgiving Day at 10 a.m., Greenbelt Baptist Church.

The Rev. Mr. Richard Markley, Pastor of Potomac Heights Baptist Church, Oxon Hill, will be the guest preacher. Mr. Markley is a graduate of American University and Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary. He has been in his present pastorate for two years. He is the son of Mrs. Margaret Shaffer and brother of Bruce Markley, both members of Greenbelt Baptist Church.

Special music will be brought by the Chancel Choir and Mrs. Deserre Hecht, soloist. Pastor S. Jasper Morris and Greenbelt Baptist Church cordially invite interested persons to participate.

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The Public Hearing will be held in the Council Meeting Room, Municipal Building, 25 Crescent Road, on Monday, November 27, 1972 at 8 p.m.

Copies of the Charter amendment proposal may be obtained at the City Offices, 25 Crescent Road, Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m. thru 5 p.m.

Gudrun H. Mills, City Clerk

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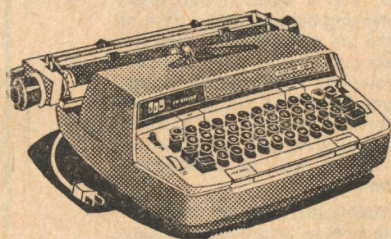
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Our Neighbors

by Elaine Skolnik 474-6060

Greenbelters will be represented on the County's community goals advisory committee. Albert Herling was appointed to a one year term by County Councilman Francis White and Joseph Meadow was appointed by Councilman John J. Garity. Edgar Courtemanch will represent the Washington Suburban Transit Commission which will examine the county's problems and opportunities with an eye toward pinpointing key issues in the county's future. The 43-member Committee will also provide an avenue of citizen expression about the living environment desire in the county.

Greenbelter Roy Messler, Jr., received a diploma at graduation ceremonies for firefighters held on November 3 in the Fire Department Headquarters in Brentwood.

Our deepest sympathy to Mrs. Helen Harris, 71-J Ridge, who lost her husband.

Best wishes for a speedy recovery to Michael Sucher, 8 Lakeside, who has been ill for the past two weeks.

Ted and Pauline Pritzker won by a comfortable margin at last week's duplicate bridge session. Their 47½ points was 3 points better than the score of runners-up Madeline and Ben Green. A tie for third place developed between the pairs of Alan Haga-Bob Pasternak and Ruth and Seymour Levine. Next game: Friday, November 24 at the Co-op Hospitality Room.

Greenbelter Susan Simko was elected president of the Arts Forum of Prince Georges County. In addition to working part-time for the Greenbelt Recreation Department and as organizer for the Greenbelt Community Church, Ms. Simko is active in many civic organizations serving as the vice president of the North End Parent Teachers Association, and a member of the board of directors for the Prince Georges Little Theatre Association. Marine Second Lieutenant Will-

iam T. Redden, son of Mrs. Vivian S. Redden of 36-P Ridge Road, has completed Environmental Indoc-trination School at Pensacola, Fla. His training is part of a total of an 18 month program leading to his designation as a Naval Aviator.

It's a girl for Mrs. & Mrs. David Kaufman, 9336 Edmonston Road. Cheryl Lynn was born on Oct. 14, and weighed 7 lbs. Her uncle is Dr. Arthur Kaufman who practices in Greenbelt.

Mr. and Mrs. James J. Bates, 211 Lakeside Drive announce the birth of a son, Steven James on October 20. Steven weighed in at 7 lbs., 3 oz., and joins a brother, Michael John.

It's a bundle of blue for Mr. and Mrs. Roland Desmond, 7742 Lakecrest Drive. Eric Scott made his debut on August 30 weighing 8 lbs., 13 oz.



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Environmental News

by Gabe Huck

If we are to have a National Garbage Month (and we certainly should, it being our number one national product), I should like to suggest November. November shows us the way it's supposed to be. Robinson Jeffers wrote: "I sadly smiling remember that the flower fades to make fruit, the fruit rots to make earth. Out of the mother; and through the spring exultances, ripeness and decadence; and home to the mother."

It's all around you in November: the way things were meant to die, the way the cycle gets completed, the circle made unbroken. Ecology is learning to live peacefully, gently in that cycle. And we have been learning in Greenbelt. The voluntary separation of papers and magazines from other trash will soon become mandatory in most areas (and remember all kinds of paper can be recycled, not just newspaper). The glass recycling bins sit down by the warehouse behind the lake park—they could stand a lot more use (all you need do is wash the bottle and take off the lids, no need to remove the labels). Leaves will be picked up by the city and composted by the Greenbelt Environmental Action Committee; next spring we'll have lots of good stuff available. Many people are doing compost themselves and keeping their food scraps from the trash can.

One of the ugliest, because so visible, marks against ecology in Greenbelt right now must be the trash bin that has been discussed at two city council meetings. It is located between 23 court Ridge and the nearest apartment building. Petitions and letters have so far not helped. Perhaps the driveway will have to crack under the heavy trucks that come to empty the monster before there will be action. It is fully in keeping with what often seems a dominant American philosophy: keep what is inside and private property neat by making what is outside and common a dump. I encourage you to take a walk.

FREE ACTIVITY PROGRAM

A supervised free activity program in school gymnasiums is open to adults and children during the fall and winter months at the following locations on Sundays: Parkdale Sr. High, 1-6 p.m. for high school students and Greenbelt Jr. High, 1-6 p.m. for teens and adults.

Sponsored by the MNCPPC Dept of Parks and Recreation, the program features a wide variety of sport activities, such as volleyball, basketball, and gymnastics. All program centers are supervised by Park and Recreation staff.

HELP

The TAA Survey Committee needs owner-member involvement. Ideas on desired frame improvements are wanted. Please submit ideas (details or just your thoughts) in writing to TAA Committee c/o GHI.

We also need more committee members with knowledge of the building/heating fields (practical and/or professional). If you wish to help - Call Mike Smith (345-5345) or Joe Dalis (474-5811)

City Shows no Increase in Crime

Figures released by City Manager James Giese show crime in Greenbelt did not increase during the first six months of 1972 when compared with the same period in 1971. The total number of incidents was 149 for both periods.

Prince Georges County Police and Maryland State Police recently released figures which showed an overall 4.9 percent increase in major crimes in the county, as reported in area newspapers. County police figures showed an 11.6 percent decrease in crimes of violence, while State police figures showed a 15.3 percent rise in overall major crime. Neither of these forces generally operate in Greenbelt.

Seven crime categories comprised the figures Giese released. No change was reported in two categories — homicide and rape. Greenbelt recorded decreases in three categories — robbery, burglary and larceny. Increases occurred in two categories — aggravated assault and auto theft. In addition, a comparison of the actual number of incidents per 1,000 persons shows Greenbelt had a lower rate than Prince Georges County in every category for the period covered. Below is a breakdown of city and county figures for major crimes:

GREENBELT POLICE				
	1971	1972	Percent Increase (Decrease)	1972 Incident Rate per 1,000 Persons
Homicide	0	0	0	0
Rape	0	0	0	0
Robbery	3	2	- 33%	.1
Aggravated Assault	1	5	+ 500%	.3
Burglary	30	27	- 10%	1.5
Larceny	76	45	- 40%	3.9
Auto Theft	39	45	+ 15%	2.5

PRINCE GEORGES COUNTY POLICE*				
Homicide	20	23	+ 15%	.03
Rape	46	74	+ 69%	.1
Robbery	858	650	- 24%	1.0
Aggravated Assault	589	590	No Change	.9
Burglary	3,071	3,099	+ .9%	4.8
Larceny	3,369	3,772	+ 11.9%	5.8
Auto Theft	1,869	2,025	+ 8.3%	3.1

*Prince Georges County figures which do not include Greenbelt, Hyattsville and Laurel

**Prince Georges County estimated population, 1/1/72 — 690,000 less Greenbelt (18,000), Laurel (11,000) and Hyattsville (15,000) — 646,000

Boss for the Day

Mrs. Rose Amberg, 6-E Hillside, was honored recently as Boss for the Day. Rose says she was a very surprised lady one morning as she arrived at work. She received congratulations and huge grins as she headed toward her office, where she is Assistant Director of Nursing Education for the Glenn Dale Hospital. No one would tell her why, just "... we'll let your secretary, Pam, tell you." Ms. Pamela Curl had written up her new boss (of 2 months) as a great lady to work for and sent her story to the Johnny Holladay show on WWDC. But she kept it a secret.

Holladay, who used to run a "Secretary of the Day" contest, turned it around to have secretaries write up their bosses. And on Sept. 19, Rose Amberg was the first woman to be selected. Prizes were luncheon for 2, supper-theatre tickets for 2 and (wouldn't you know it?) a gift certificate at a men's clothing shop.

A friend, Audrey Stern, told Rose later "I almost had a wreck because of you!" Audrey had heard the announcement on her car radio and turned her head toward the radio, gesturing with both hands, to tell Johnny Holladay "I know her! That's my friend!"

"Glad I didn't hear it," Rose exclaimed, "I'd have driven right off the road!"

Rose claims that the only other time she ever won anything was as a teenager at a basketball game when she received \$10 off on a suit at a men's clothing store.

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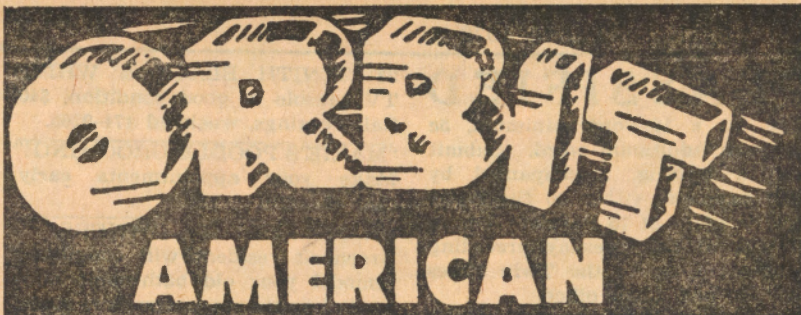
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